



The State Office of Rural Health

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Colorado Rural Health Center Celebrates 30 years of Supporting Rural Colorado

The organization was recently able to celebrate the milestone in person at the Annual Rural Health Conference

Aurora, Colo. - December 10, 2021 The Colorado Rural Health Center (CRHC) is celebrating its 30th anniversary. The nonprofit was founded in November of 1991 and has served as the State Office of Rural Health and the State Rural Health Association.

The Colorado Rural Health Center began as a coalition of partners who decided to incorporate as a nonprofit in order to ensure that the organization's focus could remain on rural. CRHC had one employee and one federal grant. Today, CRHC works with Federal, state, and local partners to offer services and resources to rural healthcare providers, facilities and communities. In 2020, CRHC invested a record 5.56 million dollars in rural communities across the state.

"I'm proud to say that we've come a long way in 30 years and have continued to serve with the same mission to enhance healthcare services in the state by providing information, education, linkages, tools, and energy toward addressing rural health issues," said CRHC's CEO, Michelle Mills. "We still carry out the vision to improve healthcare services available in rural communities to ensure that all rural Coloradoans have access to comprehensive, affordable, high quality healthcare."

The organization recently celebrated the anniversary with a reception at the Annual Rural Health Conference. Attendees were able to gather in person, in accordance with all local, state, and federal safety guidelines, to celebrate with a rural Colorado beer, commemorative glass wear, and celebratory toasts to the last 30 years and to the next!

For further information or details about the Colorado Rural Health Center and its work, visit <http://coruralhealth.org/> or contact Matt Enquist at me@coruralhealth.org. For media inquiries, contact Michelle Mills at mm@coruralhealth.org

About The Colorado Rural Health Center

The Colorado Rural Health Center was established in 1991 as Colorado's State Office of Rural Health. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, CRHC serves dual roles as the State Office of Rural Health with the mission of assisting rural communities in addressing healthcare issues; and as the State Rural Health Association, advocating for policy change to ensure that rural Coloradoans have access to comprehensive, affordable healthcare services of the highest quality. For more information visit www.coruralhealth.org, call 303-832-7493, or call toll free 800-851-6782 from rural Colorado.

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